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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Original claims 1-20 were amended during Chapter II proceedings by substituting new claims 1-23 in a letter dated March 30, 2001. Please cancel original claims 1-20 and cancel amended claims 1-23 and rewrite them as new claims 24-46 as follows:

